



Environmental Impact Statement



CN E&E

# Scoping Comment for the Proposed Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company STB Finance Docket No. 35087

## Comment Form

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### How Do I Submit Comments?

- **Written Comments:** Complete and submit this form at the public open house scoping meeting, or follow the directions on the reverse side of this sheet to mail your comments.
- **Recorded Comments:** Provide your comments to a member of the project team or court reporter at this public open house scoping meeting, or call the toll-free project information line: 1-800-347-0689.
- **Electronic Comments:** Submit electronic comments by visiting the Surface Transportation Board's website, [www.stb.dot.gov](http://www.stb.dot.gov), under the heading "E-Filing."

Please refer to STB Finance Docket No. 35087 in all correspondence addressed to the Surface Transportation Board. Comments must be submitted by February 1, 2008.

As a resident of the small Town of Barrington, I am extremely concerned that the CN acquisition of the EJE will have a catastrophic effect on the quality of life of our human and animal residents. The severe traffic problems that the increased freight travel will inevitably cause will pose a huge safety problem. Children cross these tracks several times per day on foot, bike, bus and in their own cars. Increased train traffic will cause people to "run late" thereby being tempted to "beat" the train no matter what safety precautions have been installed by CN, with probable tragic results.

The Barrington area is home to much wild life, forest preserve, and wetland that will not be able to sustain itself with the increased pollution (noise, air, etc.) that will surely result.

I implore you to gravely consider these concerns when conducting your study and keep in mind that life is more important than the "bottom line".

Thank you.

What scoping meeting did you attend? (Please circle): Mundeir, Barrington, Joliet, Matteson, Gary, West Chicago, Chicago.

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### YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT!

Comments provided by the public help determine the scope of the environmental review.